

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in silent reverie to recognize the lifetime achievements of an outstanding Missourian who positively touched the lives of countless individuals during his seventy-seven-year journey on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, this legislative body was distressed to learn of the recent death of Fred Batcher, a remarkable individual who was an inspiration to all who knew and loved him; and

Whereas, Fred Batcher was born to Ralph G. and Emily F. Popp Batcher on November 1, 1929, in St. Louis, where he was living on May 20, 2007, when God took him home to the love and beauty of His everlasting light; and

Whereas, Fred Batcher will be greatly missed by his grieving family whose members include his cousins, Virginia Werner of Kansas City, Doris J. Lawrence Valenti of Jennings, and Patricia L. Rooke (William C. Jr.) of Huntington Beach, California; and many other family members and friends; and

Whereas, Fred Batcher had also nurtured a very special relationship of love and devotion with other members of his family who preceded him in death, including his parents; and

Whereas, Fred Batcher had distinguished himself as an officer and a director, a Village Clerk for the Village of Sycamore Hills, and a member of Hosteling International, Gardeners of America, the Overland Historical Society, the Ritenour Alumni Association, and the Garden Club of Ritenour; and

Whereas, weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning knowing Fred Batcher is safe in God's arms and we too one day will fly away to be with him again; and

Whereas, Fred Batcher will be remembered as a person of unbounded vision who zealously supported many significant endeavors throughout his life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in paying final tribute to Fred Batcher and in expressing to his family our deepest sympathy at this difficult time of tremendous personal loss; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late Fred Batcher.

Offered by _____
Representative Jake Zimmerman
District No. 83

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker